

# The Clarion

Slogan of the week:  
We're just like the Transylvania  
Times...if it spawned a lovechild  
with a silverback gorilla.

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# COMPUTER LAB CRACKDOWN



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*IT Department attempting more stringent enforcement of computer lab rules*

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Last year the signs were present in the computer lab informing students that food, drinks, and tobacco are forbidden in the labs. However, those signs served as mere wall decoration, as there was no enforcement of those policies.

That is why junior Sam Carlisle was so surprised last week when he was banished from the Super Lab for a week for having an open drink while using a computer.

"This dude was just standing beside me not saying anything. I wanted to be like, yo, do you need help? But then he told me I needed to leave. I was real surprised," Carlisle said.

"I really just wanted to finish my homework. You mean to tell me that for 28 G's a year this school can't afford waterproof computers?" he

added.

According to Information Technology director Michael Fuiks, this was the second punishment handed out this year because of violations of computer lab rules.

The reason for the more stringent enforcement of the rules this year is a combination of wanting to protect the \$30,000 worth of new computers that were recently put in the Super Lab, as well as the fact that some students have complained about the environment of the lab,

"We've seen some pretty serious things going on, and this year with all the new computer equipment, we thought we should begin to enforce the rules that were already in place," Fuiks said.

"We've been getting complaints about people being abusive in there. We don't just do this capriciously. The lab is not a party room."

Fuiks admitted, however, that it would be hard to monitor the lab at all times. There are  
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